IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Fischer et al.

Serial No.: 10/019,087

Filed: December 19, 2001

For: METHOD FOR DETECTING A LIPOPROTEIN-ACUTE PHASE PROTEIN

COMPLEX AND PREDICTING AN INCREASED RISK OF SYSTEM FAILURE

OR MORTALITY

April 28, 2006

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

1.	This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) months to			
respon	nd to the final Office	Action dated November 17	, 2005.	
2.	A response in conn	hich this extension is requested:		
	is filed herewith.			
	has been filed.			
3.	Applicant:			
	Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.			
	🔀 Does no	t claim small entity status.		
4.	Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)):			
	Total Months Requested	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for <u>Small Entity</u>	
	one month two months three months four months five months	\$120.00 \$450.00 \$1,020.00 \$1,590.00 \$2,160.00	\$60.00 \$225.00 \$510.00 \$795.00 \$1,080.00	

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	A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.		
	Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.		
\boxtimes	Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for this and any additional extension and/or required or credit for any excess fee paid.		
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CERTIFICATION OF TRANSMISSION **UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8**

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